

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

Eric Michael Sorenson,

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER

Civil No. 15-1573 ADM/LIB

Minnesota Department of
Human Services et al.,

Defendants.

Eric Michael Sorenson, *pro se*.

This matter is before the undersigned United States District Judge for consideration of Eric Michael Sorenson's ("Sorenson") Motion to Proceed In Forma Pauperis Status on Appeal to the Eighth Circuit [Docket No. 25] and Application/Affidavit for IFP/COA to Waive Court Costs and Fees for Leave to Proceed in the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals [Docket No. 26].

Sorenson requests to appeal this Court's ruling denying his motion to appoint counsel and to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal. Upon considering the Eighth Circuit precedent cited by Sorenson, the Court finds that Sorenson may immediately appeal the denial of his motion to appoint counsel in this 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action. See Bowman v. Bowersox, 467 Fed. Appx. 535 (8th Cir. 2012) (citing Slaughter v. City of Maplewood, 731 F.2d 587, 588–89 (8th Cir. 1984) (holding that a denial of a motion to appoint counsel may be immediately appealed in a Section 1983 action pursuant to the collateral-order doctrine)).

Accordingly, based upon the foregoing, and all the files, records, and proceedings herein, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Sorenson's motion and application to proceed IFP on appeal

[Docket Nos. 25 and 26] are granted.

BY THE COURT:

s/Ann D. Montgomery
ANN D. MONTGOMERY
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: June 4, 2015.